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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to Friday's report. The market tone was mixed, but was mostly noted as steady to at times fully steady beginning the week. Demand was light to fairly good, best where features were a factor. Supplies were irregular, ranging tight to adequate for extra large and adequate to instances ample on large and medium. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient to fully sufficient for the quiet to moderate demand. Light type fowl were at least adequate for a fair to moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices were 1 cent lower for warehouse and store door delivered mediums with the balance of prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to firm for the larger sizes and steady for mediums. Retail demand was moderate to instances good and better into ongoing features. Food service demand was light to fairly good. Supplies were balanced for jumbo and extra large and adequate to instances ample on the balance. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Trading and demand was quiet with offerings adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	34-44	35-41	LARGE	16-25	20
LARGE	33-43	34-37	MEDIUM	7-11	9
MEDIUM	16-26	18-21	SMALL	5-7	

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were slightly lower on extra large and unchanged on the balance of sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was steady entering the week. Demand ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for present trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were usually sufficient for normal processing schedules. Light type hens were about adequate for the moderate to good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	45-62	48-50
LARGE	39-53	44-48
MEDIUM	19-32	24-26

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment continued steady to fully steady. Cartoned egg sales were fairly good to good with loose egg sales light to fairly good. Supplies were tight for the larger sizes and balanced to fully adequate on the balanced. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Trading and demand were quiet with offerings adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	51.5-60	53-56
LARGE	44.5-53	46-49
MEDIUM	22.5-31	24-27

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged on mediums and unchanged to lower on the larger sizes when compared to the previous week. Trade sentiment was mostly steady beginning the week. Demand continued light to moderate. Supplies ranged closely balanced to fully sufficient for current requirements. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate for a moderate demand. Light type hens were at least sufficient for the fair to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	43.5-58.25	45-48
LARGE	42-49	43-46
MEDIUM	21.5-29	22-26

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on extra large, large and medium when compared to Friday's report. Trade sentiment entering the week was generally steady. Demand was light to mostly moderate. Supplies ranged adequate to fully sufficient for present trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	53-57
LARGE	51-55
MEDIUM	31-35

### MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	41-50	43-47
LARGE	40-49	41-43
MEDIUM	23-32	26-28

see page 3 for prices on certified organic eggs in cartons

**WESTERN** Prices unchanged on jumbo, 2-3 cents lower on extra large, unchanged to 1 cent lower on large, and 1 cent lower on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 6% lower than last Monday with California down 9% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 1%. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings ample.

**CALIFORNIA** Prices unchanged on jumbo, 2 cents lower on extra large, unchanged on large, and 1 cent lower on medium and small. The California inventory was 9% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings ample. Small benchmark price 39.

California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	114
EXTRA LARGE	92
LARGE	77
MEDIUM	59

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

	RANGE
JUMBO	259-309
EXTRA LARGE	219-289
LARGE	199-229
MEDIUM	179-199

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

RANGE
NOT AVAILABLE

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 19, 2005 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 12, 2005 were 237,438 cases which was 15 percent above the prior week and 9 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	199,227	38,211	237,438
% change from the prior week.....	+18	+2	+15

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices were unchanged. Trading and demand were quiet with offerings adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	24-26.25	26
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	13-17	13-15
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings from producers. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*  
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF  
15-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-16 CENTS/LB.	11.75-13.75	13.08
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to mostly moderate for the adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product were adequate for current needs. The undertone was steady to at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*  
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF  
15-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.20
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

# WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- AUGUST 15, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO		5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.0	7.6	4.9	10.0	9.1	38.6
	Change	0.8	0.3	-0.8	0.0	-3.7	-8%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	24.2	38.2	14.9	20.2	31.4	128.9
	Change	-0.3	-5.5	1.6	-5.4	-2.1	-8%
Large	Curr Wk	40.6	153.0	49.5	78.6	81.0	402.7
	Change	-7.9	-22.3	-13.7	-19.2	-18.0	-17%
Medium	Curr Wk	15.5	63.4	18.6	28.1	37.3	162.9
	Change	1.5	-16.2	-2.3	-0.7	2.1	-9%
Small	Curr Wk	9.2	10.5	6.5	7.9	6.3	40.4
	Change	4.5	-8.1	1.8	-1.5	-0.5	-9%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.4	39.7	7.5	15.4	6.6	73.6
	Change	0.4	2.8	-1.8	0.9	0.3	4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	15.9	44.8	12.7	16.4	35.7	125.5
	Change	-6.9	-2.9	-4.1	-9.0	7.8	-11%
Total Percent	Curr Wk	116.8	357.2	114.6	176.6	207.4	972.6
	Change	-6%	-13%	-14%	-17%	-6%	-12%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	972.6	-12%	175
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	252.9	3%	35
Total Shell Egg	1225.5	-9%	210

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday a.m. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

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Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**CANADIAN EGGS** QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 01, 2005

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.86	1.83	1.74	1.16

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 01, 2005 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.42	1.42	1.32	.77

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 12, 2005

CURRENT LOADS							54.00		FUTURE LOADS							17.00		TOTAL LOADS							71.00	
		SE		NE		MW		LOADS				SC		NW		SW		LOADS								
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST												
GNR W 1	26.00	—	27.00	28.00	—	—	2.00	GL W XL	35.00	—	—	—	—	—	44.80	5.00										
GL W XL	—	—	39.00	41.00	34.00	—	5.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	33.21	19.00										
GL W LG	—	—	31.00	33.00	21.00	—	25.00																			
GL W SM	—	—	13.00	15.00	—	—	1.00																			
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.00																			
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	21.75	12.00																			
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	13.00	15.60	10.00																			
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	7.00	9.50	3.00																			

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 08/08/05-08/12/05

CURRENT LOADS							148.75	FUTURE LOADS							57.75	TOTAL LOADS							206.50
SE		NE		MW				SC		NW		SW											
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS								
GNR W 1	25.80	—	26.38	27.78	—	—	9.00	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—	37.50	2.00								
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	43.00	—	—	2.00	GL W XL	35.00	38.00	—	—	—	45.66	19.75								
GL W J	—	—	54.00	55.00	—	75.00	3.00	GL W LG	—	37.94	—	43.53	—	34.36	38.75								
GL W XL	—	—	38.20	38.69	34.12	—	36.75	GL W MD	—	16.00	—	28.00	23.50	24.00	5.00								
GL W LG	—	38.00	30.00	32.00	23.46	—	49.00	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00								
GL W MD	—	—	12.00	14.00	17.30	16.50	9.00	NRBS - 48	24.50	25.50	—	—	—	—	7.00								
GL W SM	16.38	18.63	13.00	15.00	—	—	5.00																
GL BR LG	—	45.50	—	—	—	—	3.00																
NRBS - 48	—	—	23.00	25.00	—	25.12	46.00																
NRBS - 45	—	—	22.00	24.43	—	20.97	35.50																
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	13.00	15.60	10.00																
NRBS - 39	—	14.20	15.00	17.25	14.19	12.50	24.00																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS** (In Thousands)

ON HAND	08/08/05	08/01/05	07/19/04
PACIFIC COAST	243	250	193
LOS ANGELES	238	245	145

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is lower on extra large and steady on the balance. Supplies are adequate. Demand is moderate.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MOSTLY**

EXTRA LARGE	68.10
LARGE	59.63
MEDIUM	39.63
SMALL	33.00

**CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS**

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 260	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

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**PROCESSED EGGS: Monthly Inventory U.S. Dried Eggs (2nd Fri)****AS OF JULY 31, 2005****COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS**

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	3,805,175	28	94
FREE FLOWING	6,046,266	-4	10
BLEND	1,797,487	-6	-20
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	8,719,171	6	71
BLEND	112,950	29	19
YOLK			
PLAIN	1,675,438	15	1
BLEND	47,200	43	13
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	5,026,849	-4	-3
TOTAL	27,230,536	4	25

**DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:**

JULY 3, 2005 - JULY 30, 2005

TOTAL 11,740,000 POUNDS.

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Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.

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